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# ANTI-LOBBY RESOLUTION IS INTRODUCED BY MR. ARBENZ

In the Lower Branch of the Legislature in the Place of a Bill.

**M A N Y PROVISIONS**

Among Which is a Complete Record of Committee Hearings.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 28.—Realizing that there is little chance of getting a bill through the legislature that will put an end to the secret lobby, Delegate John ArbENZ, one of the Republican-Progressives in the House today offered a joint resolution requiring the chairman or acting chairman of all committees to keep a record in which shall be entered the time and place of meeting, the attendance of committee members, the names and addresses of persons appearing before the committee together with the person or firm or corporation they represent and the vote of each member on all motions, bills, resolutions and amendments acted upon, that such record shall be ready and approved by the committee, that all committee hearings be public, that a copy of the vote, etc., be filed with each bill and resolution and that a duplicate be filed with the chief clerk for the use of the public during the session and at the end thereof in the office of the secretary of state.

The lobbyists are expected to make a strong effort to defeat the resolution as they did the Waugh bill the last several sessions. It is Delegate ArbENZ's belief that a resolution can be passed more rapidly than a bill.

The House was in session an hour when a recess was taken to await some action by the Senate which had not convened at noon. Many petitions against cigarettes and for equal suffrage were offered.

Delegate Fletcher presented a petition from the Union soldiers, and Delegate Terrell, from the confederates, asking the state to pay the expenses of all honorably discharged Union and Confederate soldiers to Gettysburg, Pa., to attend the fiftieth anniversary of the battle of Gettysburg.

Two efforts to increase the number of attaches in the House failed. There are already seventy-one.

President Woods in calling the senate to order today laid down rigid rules in governing the body.

"We are here to do business. There will be no smoking and no going in and out of the senate chamber while it is transacting business," said the new president.

An effort to add a committee on Virginia debt, on temperance and on forestry to the standing committees brought objection from Strother and Blessing, Republicans.

Resolutions appointing fifty-eight attaches were adopted. In announcing the standing committees, President Wood stated that while some would be pleased many would be displeased. Some wanted on certain committees and others did not and that he had done the best he could under the circumstances.

As a result of the eruption last night over the contest among the Republicans, the chairmanships were changed in many respects. The chairmen are:

Privileges and election—Marshall, Republican.

Finance—Silver, Democrat.

Judiciary—England, Republican.

Railroads—Stemmer, Democrat.

Mines and mining—White, of Mingo, Republican.

Claims and grievances—Blessing, Republican.

Immigration and agriculture—Phillips, Democrat.

Public printing—Bland, Democrat.

Medicine and sanitation—McCuskey, Democrat.

Forfeited and delinquent lands—Kidd, Democrat.

Penitentiary—Hearne, Republican.

Insurance—Peterkin, Democrat.

Militia—Marcum, Republican.

Labor—Blessing, Republican.

Federal relations—Fox, Democrat.

Education—Steed, Republican.

Counties and municipalities—Kump, Democrat.

Banks and corporations—MacCorkle, Democrat.

Public buildings and humane institutions—Hearne—Republican.

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# BEING DRAWN OUT ARE NEW MEMBERS

Of Congress as to the Manner of Revising the Tariff Law.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.—With only a few witnesses left the House ways and means committee today went on to clean up hearings on the wool tariff schedule admitted by the storm center of the proposed tariff revision.

Democratic leaders are sounding the members of the new Congress as to the program of tariff revision in the extra session and so far indications are for revision schedule by schedule, the procedure to be decided in caucus the first week of the extra session.

# RAZING BIG HOUSE

Material of Old Parr Mansion to Be Used for Livery Barn.

Robert Brown, contractor, with a force of men began work Tuesday morning of razing the old Parr residence on Lee street, lately occupied by Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Parr. The building as it stood was sold by the Lee Street Land Company to William Pinnell, liveryman, and he will use the material for the erection of a large livery barn on Sixth street near West Pike.

The house is a large one having sixteen rooms and brick walls a yard thick. It was the intention of the land company to have it moved to lots west of the site for the new high school and to convert it into an apartment house, but this plan, while feasible, was abandoned when a reasonable offer was made for the house.

# CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, Jan. 28.—Wheat closed at 92 3-4; corn at 51 3-8; oats at 33 7-8.

# BIG RECORD MADE BY RAILROAD POLICE

Baltimore and Ohio Secret Service Men Make More Than 10,000 Arrests.

BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 28.—Covering the activities of the police department of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad system for the calendar year 1912, Grant A. Ogline, superintendent of police, has submitted the annual report of his department that shows the vigilance exerted in protecting the traveling public, shippers and other patrons, as well as the railroad itself, against criminal depredations. The report shows that during the year 10,417 arrests were made for various offenses, felonies and misdemeanors. While this number of arrests denotes a decrease in crime and petty offenses as compared with the previous year, the report of the superintendent of police of the Baltimore and Ohio points out the way to even greater reductions through the full co-operation of state municipal, county and township police officials and the courts.

The most frequent recurring offense with which the Baltimore and Ohio police officials had to cope during the year, was for violation of railroad laws, embodying vagrancy, trespassing and unlawful train riding, the number of arrests made for such offenses totaling 6,891. Commenting upon the phase of his report, Superintendent Ogline says: "Most of these arrests were for trespassing, and from the study made of the question during my travel over the American railroads last year, it is evident that the trespassing evil is growing rapidly. This is true despite the efforts which have been made to educate the public to keep away from railroad tracks and property, where danger continually exists. All railroad police departments are cognizant of the large increase in trespassers on their properties, and it would seem that the only possible solution of the problem is to be found through the co-operation which the authorities should extend."

"During the year 1912, there were 289 persons lost their lives and 298

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# GOLD PLATE

Bearing An Invitation to Late President McKinley is on Display at Shop.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Displayed in a window of a Broadway pawnbroker is a handsome gold plate bearing an invitation from California Commandery, No. 1, Knights Templars, to President McKinley, requesting his presence at an assembly held in San Francisco in 1901. In one corner is the handsome enameled insignia of the order and in the center is a 1 karat diamond. No one knows how it got to the pawnbroker.

Later it developed that the plate had been sold to the pawnbroker for \$700 by Mrs. Mabel McKinley Baer, niece of the late president. It was explained at the Baer home that there had been several burglaries in that neighborhood and with no proper place to keep the plate, it was deemed advisable to dispose of it.

# PROMISES

By Parents Obtain Release of Boys Charged with Stealing Brass.

Promises by their parents to take the lads in hand and make them behave in the future or else have them sent to the state reform school obtained the discharge of Harold Martin and Fred Grannato, twelve-year-old East End boys, late Monday afternoon in Justice G. H. Gordon's court, when they were arraigned on a charge of stealing brass fixtures recently from Rex Jarvis's well drilling machine in an East End street.

A like warrant against Barnard Perry, a young man, was dismissed. He purchased the stolen brass, but it was shown that he was merely acting as agent for a junk dealer.

# OFFICERS

And Directors Are Chosen for Home Gas Company at Annual Meeting.

Stockholders and directors of the Home Gas Company held their annual meetings Tuesday in the company's office on Court street, the former electing a board of directors for the year and the newly elected directors choosing officers to serve the same length of time.

Thomas C. White was chosen president, Jasper S. Kyle vice president, and Charles Long secretary and treasurer. The board of directors consists of Mr. White, Mr. Kyle, W. Guy Tetric, Homer E. Williams and W. G. Kester.

This was the first annual meeting of the company since it took over the property and business of the Fuel City Gas Company, the merger having been effected last September. The company now has sixteen miles of pipe south of the city from the Monticello addition to the New Fair Grounds addition, inclusive, which pipe supplies natural gas to consumers from a well at the Monticello brick yards, one at Columbia Heights and one in the New Fair Grounds addition.

# PENSIONS GRANTED.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Pensions have been granted, under the general law to the following West Virginians: Henry C. Keeper, Washington; Phineas R. Sharp, Harrisville; Samuel C. Parks, Rutherford; David C. Riddle, Rackett; John M. Gabert, Pennsboro; and David Amos, Parkersburg.

# MASS MEETING IS CRUDE OIL JUMPS TO BE HELD HERE UP TO \$2.19 BARREL

Call is Issued to Farmers and Others to Assemble Saturday.

TO MAKE A PROTEST

Against Erection of a New Court House and to Resist Increased Taxation.

There is to be a mass meeting of farmers and others in the court house here Saturday to protest against the erection of a new court house here. A signed call for the mass meeting is as follows:

A call meeting of the farmers of Harrison county:

The county court is about to act on the question of building a new court house at an estimated cost of some \$300,000. The people generally are not advised of this threatened increase in their taxes, and there is but little time in which to act. The great burden of this unnecessary tax will fall upon the farmers. We, therefore, call upon the farmers of Harrison county to assemble at the court house in Clarksburg on Saturday, February 1, at 10 a. m. to protest against the building of a new court house, and to resist this proposed increase in taxation. Reporters for the papers and ministers of the gospel are cordially invited to be with us.

JACKSON ARNOLD, PORTER MAXWELL, JAMES JENKINS, GEORGE LEWIS, SAMUEL LEWIS, MITCHELL BARTLETT, ROY MARTIN, JACOB WHITE, SCOTT RUCKMAN, WILLIAM FAUGH, ARDEN YOUNG, THEODORE RADCLIFF, CLINTON TALBOTT, STEVEN STEWART, J. M. EIB, JEFFERSON DOUGLASS, BRAINARD YOUNG, STEPHEN BARTLETT, MARTIN A. PROPS, ALVA SHEPHER, FRANK BLAIR, WILLIAM DAVIS, W. G. KESTER, IRA C. POST.

# MARTIAL LAW

Case in State is Taken by Dan Chain to United States Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.—The authority of Governor Glascock, of West Virginia, to put the Cabin creek coal district under martial law as a result of the strike disorders was today brought before the supreme court. Dan Chain, who was convicted by the military commission and sentenced to the state penitentiary for five years on a charge of obstructing a train, applied to the court for release from imprisonment. He challenged the authority of the governor to declare martial law and questioned the jurisdiction of the military commission over citizens charged with civil offenses.

# CASE DISMISSED.

Failure of the prosecuting witness to appear at the time set for a hearing of the case has resulted in a dismissal of William McGowan's warrant against M. J. Sauer in Justice G. H. Gordon's court charging Mr. Sauer with fraudulently obtaining a luncheon costing \$1.10 at McGowan's restaurant.

# PATIENT FOR STATE HOME.

A. F. Sandy, a deputy sheriff of Marion county, was here Tuesday on the way from Fairmont to Huntington with a simple-minded young man who was recently committed to the state home for incurables in the latter city. The latter was kept in the county jail pending the arrival of a westbound train.

# NEVER TO BE TRIED.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Supporters of General Sikes arrested in connection with an alleged shortage in the monument's commission fund expressed the belief today that the action would never come to trial as so many contributors are coming in that the shortage will be made up. The general remained secluded in his Fifth avenue mansion.

# BOARD NAMED FOR Y. M. C. A. PROJECT

Nine Men Appointed to Look after Organization for Clarksburg.

Pursuant to authorization given him at a recent conference of public spirited residents, C. H. Harding, president pro tem, has announced his appointment of the following committee of nine to take charge of the local movement for the organization of a Young Men's Christian Association for Clarksburg:

H. E. Travis, G. H. Duthie, John D. McReynolds, L. K. Richards, W. F. Baird, L. A. Johnson, Peter H. Koblegard, Charles B. Alexander and C. H. Harding (ex officio).

The committee will hold its first meeting at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening at the Waldo hotel, at which time, W. C. Florain, of Parkersburg, state secretary of the Young Men's Christian Associations of West Virginia, will be present. Plans will be discussed at this meeting toward the establishment of an association here as early as feasible.

Members of the committee are asked to take notice of this meeting.

A signed notice as follows to members of the Grand Army Post here has been issued:

All members of Custer Post, No. 8, Grand Army of the Republic, are requested to be present at our regular meeting Saturday, February 1. Besides the regular routine business the installation of the newly elected officers, which was postponed from our last meeting on account of the absence of some of the officers, will take place. Hence, the importance of a full attendance.

All old veterans not identified with the post, are admonished to join us, and with us prepare to attend the fiftieth anniversary of the battle of Gettysburg next July, which will be the greatest assemblage of the grizzled veterans of the "Blue and Gray" that has ever occurred since the war, or that ever will occur again, and will be attended by a larger body of the veterans than were engaged in that memorable battle under Meade and Lee.

Our Uncle Sam furnishes food and shelter while there, and neither veterans nor civilian can afford to miss it.

Very cordially, in W. C. and L. W. M. MORRIS, Post Commander.

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# FATALLY SHOT.

BUCKHANNON, Jan. 28.—Lee Wamsley shot and fatally wounded John Zirkle, who was deputized to arrest Wamsley and a certain woman on a charge of living together unlawfully, at Beans Mills. Wamsley took to the woods but was soon apprehended by a posse and landed in jail.

# DUBLIN CASTLE IS OBJECT OF ATTACK

BEETLES

Kill Millions of Trees in the Forests of the Western Country.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The Black Hills beetle which, through neglect to apply the proper methods of control at the proper time, killed, during the period from 1897 to 1907, more than a billion feet board measure of the merchantable sized timber in the Black Hills of South Dakota, was found in 1911 to be threatening similar devastations in the valuable timber of the Tongue river Indian reservation of the Cheyenne Indians in southeastern Montana.

A co-operative beetle control project was organized in which the Branch of Forest Insects of the Bureau of Entomology, United States Department of Agriculture, gave advice and instructions, the Indian Service of the Department of the Interior furnished the funds, and the Cheyenne Indians did the work.

Eleven thousand and seventeen trees were cut and barked between July 1, 1911 and July 1, 1912 in order to destroy the beetles. The fact that a large percentage of the trees which harbored the beetles was sawed into lumber by mills installed for that purpose resulted in a total net cost of but \$903.53 against a probable saving for the next ten years, in the stumpage value of the trees, estimated at \$75,000 to \$100,000.

Vacation at State University to Be Held after the Eastertide.

MORGANTOWN, Jan. 28.—The University Council of Administration has passed an order establishing the annual "Easter vacation." Owing to the fact that the matter came up so late this year, and the further fact that Easter comes so early—the twenty-third of March—the vacation this year will not fall at Eastertide, but so far, no student has been found who objects to taking the holiday on that account.

The vacation this year will be from April 4 to 9, inclusive. April 4 will fall on Friday, which will be a holiday. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of the following week will be vacation days, and work will be resumed on Thursday, April 10. The vacation will follow the midsemester examinations, which are scheduled for the days immediately preceding April 4.

# MISS ROBINS DEAD.

MORGANTOWN, Jan. 28.—Miss Elizabeth Robbins, aged 62, housekeeper at the state mansion of Thomas E. Hodges, president of the West Virginia University, is dead of heart disease.

# Most Radical Rise in Prices Since Oil Was a Favorite Speculation.

SEVEN CENTS AGAIN

Is the Advance the Present Week in Price of Pennsylvania Crude.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 28.—For the second time this week all grades of crude oil advanced in price in this market, placing Pennsylvania crude at \$2.19 a barrel.

Not since the days, when oil was a favorite speculation and fortunes were made over night, has there been such a radical rise in price.

# "OPPOSING"

Bill for Federal Court at Elkins in Clark of the Court.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Charles B. Kefauver, clerk of the United States district court, with headquarters at Parkersburg, is spending a few days here in opposition to the bill providing for the holding of a term of federal court at Elkins. It is understood the objection made to the bill by those connected with the court is that it is entirely unnecessary to hold court at any other place in the northern district and that it would be extremely inconvenient to the court officials to have to keep traveling from place to place, when the places for holding court are now so close that no person has far to go to get to one of them. The bill to provide for holding court at Elkins has been introduced and is still pending. An effort will be made to have it considered, but it will meet with strong opposition.

# BLOW FATAL

To Chick Rose, Prize Fighter, and Sailor Smith is Under Arrest.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Chick Rose, a prize fighter, who was knocked unconscious in Brooklyn last night by a blow on the chin in the sixth round of a ten-round bout with Sailor Smith, died today in a hospital. Smith and the referee were arrested.

# BANK APPLIES.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The comptroller of the currency has received the application of the Bank of Anawalt, W. Va., to become a national bank under the name of the First National Bank of Anawalt.

# MURDEROUS

Attack with Butcher Knife Charged against Farnum Woman by Negress.

A felony warrant charging attempted murder with a butcher knife was served upon Mary Vollmest, a resident of Farnum, Tuesday forenoon at that town by Constable Charles McKicker, of this city. The warrant was issued by Magistrate G. H. Gordon at the instance of Minnie Quales, a negress, who alleges that Mary Vollmest attacked her with the knife Sunday and inflicted cuts in the complainant's back and arm, when the two had an encounter resulting from a dispute over a sale of furniture.

The magistrate set the hearing for 11 o'clock Wednesday morning and the defendant was released under a personal recognizance for her appearance in court at that time.

# DIVIDEND

Is Declared at Annual Meeting of Eagles Construction Company.

At its annual stockholders meeting Tuesday, the Eagles Construction Company elected H. W. Stuck, J. O. T. Tidler, William Mount, W. C. Morrison and Thomas E. Lee directors to serve the ensuing year and declared a semi-annual dividend at the rate of six per cent per annum. H. W. Stuck was elected president of the company, W. C. Morrison secretary and J. O. T. Tidler treasurer.

# DAMAGE SUIT

Against the County Court is on Trial in the Circuit Court.

The circuit court gave its chief attention Tuesday to the trial of Noah C. Turner's suit for damages to the amount of \$250 against the county court, alleging that such had been done by the court's draining water from the highway at Wolf Summit on his property.

Judgment for \$938.52 was given. Thomas Haymont against Edward Thomas and others.

Dismissed satisfied was a suit by Johnson and Garrett against Anna Miller et al.